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EDITORIAL

Herbert J. Hagerman, retired as governor of New Mexico at 11:30 Friday, May 3, and Hon. J. W. Reynolds, secretary of the territory, immediately became acting governor. Mr. Reynolds has his instructions from Washington as to the conduct of the office, and will serve till the arrival of George Curry the new governor, from Manila, about July 1. There was no formality observed in the transfer of the office, and ex-Governor Hagerman will not discuss the resignation.

Acting Governor Reynolds will attend to the gubernatorial duties in addition to his official duties as Secretary of the Territory, and will be in the governor's office during the afternoon of each day, during his service in these dual capacities. It is safe to say that Mr. Reynolds will be the busiest man in the territory for the next sixty days. He is actively engaged in the work of revising and publishing the laws of the territorial legislature, session of 1907, in addition to the numerous other duties of the busiest offices of the territory.

Among the wise provisions of the last legislature, and one which the tax payers all over the territory may possibly endorse, was the appropriation of \$7,500 for an irrigation celebration for the Fourth of July, down at Carlsbad. Of course, most Fourth of July celebrations are irrigation celebrations, and have been for a good many years past. And fifteen hundred dollars don't go very far with the irrigating, either when there is a big crowd. We hope the people down in Eddy will have a good time. Meantime, we expect to see dirt and rock flying on the Colfax county end of the Scenic highway, as soon as the laborers can be spared from the improvements about the Capitol city.

While not pleased with the removal of Governor Hagerman, the Register-Tribune has every confidence that Hon. George Curry will make a splendid governor. Of our knowledge, he never had a chance officially but that he made good.—Register-Tribune.

The unversed defamers of Hon. George Curry having taken a rest; as that gentleman gets closer and closer to New Mexico, unjust criticism of him becomes less and less attractive to them.—Register-Tribune.

The Trust and Savings Bank of Vara-Visa was changed to a national bank and its capital stock has been increased.

Attorney General Reid will now withhold his resignation until the coming of Governor to be Curry.

Secretary of War Taft will speak for Oklahoma republicans at Tulsa, June 6.

THE HE SAID GIRLS

Did you ever notice a group of little girls between the ages of four-teen and eighteen chattering away on a corner? The next time you sit near such a group listen and hear if about every tenth word is about what "he said." If it is you have found some more of the "he said" girls, and they are not the nicest little girls in the world. The "he said" girls are likely to loiter down town after school too late to help their mothers with the afternoon work. They are likely to wear a little better clothes than their fathers can afford, so the neighbors wonder what their mothers are thinking about. The "he said" girls also too often think more of the boys than of their books and frequently fail to get through school. They are in for a time and have nothing in their heads but hairpins and two steps.

Sometimes nature takes a girl out of "he said" family and makes a fine woman of her, but generally she gets going out to parties and is developed before her time, and either marries or fades at twenty, or hangs on after all the other girls are married off, and takes generation after generation of young boys to raise by hand, and becomes to be known as "grandma" in the crowd.

There is nothing so sweet as a simple, frank, open-hearted girl. But the boy stuck girl is an abomination. The whole matter rests with the girl's mother. She can bring up one of the

"he said" girls or she can have a daughter to be proud of.—Burlington Gazette.

Strictly Hygienic.

Frederick, the three-year-old hopeful? A Chicago physician, had from the cradle of his earliest understanding been impressed that he should never drink unfiltered water. He listened tentatively to the Bible story being told him where Moses smote the rock and the water flowed out to quench the thirst of the Israelites, and interpreted his narrator to ask gravely: "Was it filtered?"

Small French Landowners.

There are no large landholders in the English or American or Russian sense, but 8,500,000 Frenchmen own outright the farms which they cultivate. Some of them consist only of a field or two, but all are sufficient, with great patience and skillful tillage, to support life, bring up a family and even give the daughters a modest dowry.

The Old Home.

We may doubt whether in heaven we shall always feel ourselves entirely there. Shall we not fall a-dreaming and be old men now and then in some of these old-and-new houses of ours? Sometimes in placid reverie, by the celestial waters, will not the doors of our old earthly houses reopen to receive us?—John James Platt.

An Expert Opinion.

"De Georgy mule," said Brother Mickey, "is de one creetur in a thousand what don't enjoy de spring season. De furrow looks ez long ter him ez de time betwixt meals, en de high price o' cotton gives him dat tired feelin'—case he well know he got des dat much mo' er it ter plow."—Atlanta Constitution.

Dogs and Husbands.

For the loss of a dog in a railway accident on the Midland, the owner has been awarded \$1,500 damages. For the loss of her husband, an engine driver, in the Salisbury railway accident, a Mrs. Robbins was awarded \$1,500. Don't get married, ladies, take out a dog license.—London Reynolds.

Undoubtedly True.

Prof. Blander Matthews tells of an under-graduate student of science who was asked: "What would happen if an irresistible force met an immovable body?" The youth hesitated a moment, and then responded: "The result would be some very interesting by-products."

Sadly Misunderstood.

A London Journalist says that American women go abroad for husbands because they want to be bossed. And the great mass of American husbands will rise to remark feelingly to a man: "How little he knows our noble women!"—Baltimore American.

Originators of Slang.

It is estimated that more than one-half of all of the slang in current use has emanated from New York city, and an observer says that college boys and girls are responsible for more of it than are the boys and girls of the Bowery.

Life of Paper Money.

A five-dollar bill lives on an average two years before it is worn out and the government is called upon to replace it. Ten-dollar bills last about three years and \$20 bills more than four years.

India's Many Snakes.

If India could sell her snakes she would be the richest country on the globe. It is said that more than 25,000 Hindus passed into the great beyond last year as a result of snake bites.

Would Be Something New.

Four men, aged respectively 94, 91, 90 and 88, recently have died in Battle, Sussex. At this rate "died in Battle" soon will be a synonym for longevity.—Birmingham (Eng.) Post.

Reflections of the Mind.

There is no question about it: If you have mean, narrow, ill-humored notions inside your head, they're dead sure to strike through to the surface and stamp your face with ugliness.

Profitable Bird.

The record of a male ostrich in the possession of H. Oliver of Oudthoorn, Cape Colony, shows that the bird has brought him the sum of \$10,000 in plumage.

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PENALTY OF GREATNESS.



Jimmy Smif—Wot's that on yer head, Billy?
Billie—It's strange that Rockyfeller and me can't wear wigs without attractin' so much attention.

VERY MUCH SO.



Said the silly salesman, "Yes, here's a new alarm clock. When you want to waken yourself you simply press the button and the fist shoots out and—"

REVISED VERSION.



Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard,
For something to quench her thirst.

"There you are wide awake!"

INTELLIGENCE OFFICE.



Agent—Oh! you just want a girl to wait on table. Well, I'll send you a green colored girl.
Subbubs—No, you won't. We are not running any dime museums.

COULDN'T SEE IT.



The Kid—O-w-e-h! An' dis is what dey calls de poetry of motion!

Magnetic Pole Not Stationary.
Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, is in Paris, where he has been honored, made a Commander of the Legion of Honor and brought before various scientific bodies. In his interesting talks he tells much about his experiences in the polar region, including his discovery of the northwest passage, through which he sailed, although that was a secondary consideration. Amundsen spent three years in the north, 19 months of which were devoted to making careful observations, day and night, of the magnetic pole. He finds that the pole is not stationary, but while he has a vast amount of data on hand the exact results have not yet been completely figured out. At all events, says the Troy Times, new scientific knowledge has been gained which will be of much value to the world, even if the northwest passage shall prove impracticable for ordinary commercial purposes. And if the pole is an oscillating point there may be an explanation as to the failure of so many seekers to find that elusive object.

South Dakota is going to divorce itself from the divorce evil, at least to a considerable extent. The people of that state have become disgusted at the ease and frequency with which divorces are obtained there, and particularly displeased because of the scandal involved in the manner in which outsiders use the easy laws of that locality in severing matrimonial ties, and a change has been insisted upon. As it stands now a six months' residence gives a person the right to sue for divorce. The legislature has passed a bill fixing the period of residence at one year in the state and three months in the county in which proceedings are instituted, and providing that all hearings shall be in open court. It is alleged, says Troy Times, that this will put an end to the "divorce industry" in which so many outsiders have engaged, and that South Dakota will cease to be the Mecca of unhappily mated individuals anxious for quick release.

A hundred square miles of country around Mount Kosciusko, one of the highest peaks of the Australian Alps, have been proclaimed a reserve by the government, with a view to formation of a national park. "Freedom shrieked when Kosciusko fell," according to the poet Campbell, and this peak was so named by a brother Polish patriot, the late Count de Strzelecki, a political refugee, who spent several years in Australia, and did some valuable exploring and geological work. He was probably the first discoverer of gold in Australia, but at the request of the local government, which feared an outbreak of the convict population if the news became known, he made no public announcement of the fact. He spent the closing years of his life in London, and was knighted by Queen Victoria.

Count Tolstoi was once a shoemaker, and always wears boots of his own making. They were the admiration of the shoemaker who taught him the trade; but the latter knew that the count would starve did he endeavor to earn a living by boot-making, as the work put into each pair was too excellent and slow to prove profitable.

A gold coin—one-third of a guinea—bearing the date of 1802, has been found in a collection box in Peterborough, England, cathedral, with a request that it should be sold and the proceeds given to the cathedral restoration fund.

It may not be out of place to call the attention of the ladies to the fact that the woman suffrage bill was talked to death in the British house of commons. Thus we are once more reminded of the danger of too much talking.

Judge Sewall C. Strout, the oldest of Maine's supreme court justices, has just passed his eightieth birthday. He gives as close attention to his judicial duties as the younger members of the court.

The ceremony of putting up the top-knot of the young Prince Yung-chin will take place, we are told, about the middle of the first moon of the new year.—Korea Daily News.

If the astronomers read the daily papers they would not be at a loss to account for the spots on the sun. It is probably having a brain storm.

A hen pecked a Manitoba man in the face, and he is dying of blood poisoning. Most henpecked men get it in the neck and survive.

But do not these ladies who demand that bachelors be taxed inadvertently imply that bachelorhood is a luxury?

Why don't some one of these beauty doctors make a hit by clearing the spots off the face of the sun?

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